1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 8 AT SEATTLE 9 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CASE NO. C17-1284JLR 10 Plaintiff, ORDER DENYING MOTION TO 11 REINSTATE OBJECTIONS v. 12 JOHN YIN, 13 Defendant, 14 T. ROWE PRICE, 15 Garnishee. 16 Before the court is Defendant John Yin's motion to reinstate his objections to the 17 United States's motion to issue a continuing garnishee order to Garnishee T. Rowe Price 18 19 (Mot. (Dkt. # 24)). Mr. Yin had previously filed pro se objections on September 22, 2017, when Mr. Yin was still represented by counsel. (See Resp. (Dkt. # 14).) Because a 20 party who is represented by counsel cannot file pro se motions, the court struck the 21 objections. (10/2/17 Order (Dkt. # 17) at 1-2.) Mr. Yin's counsel subsequently withdrew

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1 | from representation (10/5/2017 Order (Dkt. # 21)), and Mr. Yin now moves to reinstate 2 | his objections (*see* Mot.).

Garnishee Order (Dkt. # 23).)

Meanwhile, the court denied Mr. Yin's request for a hearing and granted the United States's motion to issue a continuing garnishee order. (10/16/2017 Order (Dkt. #22) at 1-2.) The court found that Mr. Yin's request for a hearing was untimely, as it was filed more than 20 days after the United States mailed notice of the garnishment proceedings and T. Rowe Price had filed its answer. (*Id.* at 3-5.) Accordingly, on October 16, 2017, the court issued a continuing garnishee order. (*See* Continuing

The court denies Mr. Yin's motion to reinstate his objections for the same reason that it denied his request for a hearing: untimeliness. Mr. Yin had 20 days after being served with the writ of garnishment to object. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 3202(d). He was served with all required notices on June 21, 2017. (Cert. of Service (Dkt. # 5).) Thus, the 20-day period to object expired on July 14, 2017. Mr. Yin's objections, filed on September 22, 2017, are untimely. The same is true even if Mr. Yin's objections are construed as objections to T. Rowe Price's answer. Mr. Yin likewise had 20 days after receiving T. Rowe Price's answer to lodge objections. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 3205(c)(5). T. Rowe Price filed its answer on June 30, 2017. (Ans. (Dkt. # 6).) Thus, the 20-day period to object expired on July 24, 2017.

¹ This period accounts for the three days for service by mail pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6(d). *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(d).

Because Mr. Yin's objections are untimely, the court DENIES Mr. Yin's motion to reinstate his objections (Dkt. # 24). Dated this 20th day of October, 2017. R. Plut JAMÉS L. ROBART United States District Judge